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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated April 22, 2005 (the *fourth* Election and/or Restriction Requirement issued by the Patent Office to date in this application), the Applicants elect Group I, claims 1, 17, 23 and 24, with traverse. The traversal is made on the grounds that it is believed that a single search and examination covering all claims will not place undue burden on the Examiner.

The Applicants strongly encourage the Patent Office to bring closure to the election/restriction period in this case, and begin substantive examination of the four remaining claims. If, for any reason, the Examiner is of the opinion that a telephone conversation with the Applicants' representative would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 646-8251.

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